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Subject OK to Ship: 400 N. LSD: 23 FEB 2007 sampling event

Glenn,

I received clearance from NAREL for the shipment of the samples, so you can now ship them.

Attached are the NAREL shipping instructions for shipping the 23 February 2007 samples collected from the 400 N. Lake Shore Drive site. The FedEx telephone number for these samples is 334-270-3433.

Thanks,

Gene



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To

Subject 400 N. Lake Shore Drive - Investigation Procedures and
Nutranl Results

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Sincerely,

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Investigation Summary

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Consultants), Gene Jablonowski (USEPA) and Verneta Simon (USEPA) were all present for the field work. Lift excavations (18-inch lift removal) and surveying had previously delineated a 5 X 10 meter area where gamma readings greater than twice background were observed. Two shallow test pits had exposed a reddish ash material within this area which appeared to be responsible for the elevated readings. With the exception of the two shallow test pits, the reddish material was not observed at the surface of the area. More significantly, although the gamma readings were elevated relative to twice background (~14,000 cpm), the surface gamma readings were still less than the cutoff threshold of about 19,000 cpm.

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Since the layer responsible for the elevated readings appeared to be restricted to the reddish material located beneath the surface, our agreed approach was to scrape a thin (3-inch) layer of the clean soil (i.e., readings less than the threshold) from the surface to expose the impacted soil beneath. Removal of the clean surface layer would thereby minimize the incorporation of clean soil with any impacted material. This process is typical of the procedures utilized historically in Streeterville projects for the removal of impacted material (i.e., basically remove clean soil in thin lifts to expose the impacted soil).

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			O	P
			-	/2
			1-	2
			2	2
			1	1
			6,	8
			8	0
1	57	15,000	0	1

2	60	16,800	4, 8 0 0 1 4, 1 0 0 1 4, 1 0 0 1 0, 5 0 0 1 1, 2 0 0 0 9, 8 0 0
3	63	13,400	
4	66	10,200	
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6	72	7,600	
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ATTACHMENT 5 - 6

NAREL SAMPLE SHIPMENT GUIDELINES

This document provides guidance in the shipment of environmental samples to NAREL for radiochemical and/or mixed waste analyses.

All shipments must comply with the requirements of current DOT regulations. Refer to the DOT Hazardous Materials Regulations contained in Title 49 CFR Subtitle B, Chapter 1, Subchapter C, Parts 171 through 180.

Before collecting samples please refer to the attached table for requested sample sizes, containers and preservatives. For matrices not listed contact the NAREL Sample Preparation Manager at (334)270-7052.

Before shipping samples, notify the NAREL Sample Preparation Manager at (334)270-7052 and arrange for sample receipt and subsequent sample return 6 months after results have been reported.

When packing samples for shipment:

- Seal individual samples in plastic bags, preferably ziplock bags.

- Use the correct amount of absorbent material for the volume present. Approved absorbent materials include vermiculite and cat litter.

- The temperature of samples requiring refrigeration during transport MUST be maintained at 4EC \pm 2EC.

- Ice in a sealed plastic bag or reusable ice substitute freeze packs are acceptable cooling media.

- Chain of Custody forms MUST be sealed in a large ziplock bag and taped to the inside of the cooler lid.

After samples are packed for shipment, secure the cooler with tape and attach a custody seal across the seam of the cooler lid.

All samples MUST be shipped overnight to arrive Monday through Friday. No deliveries are accepted on weekends or Federal holidays.

Send all samples to:

**Sample Preparation Manager
National Air and Radiation Environmental Laboratory
540 South Morris Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36115**